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SUBJECT The "New Course" in the SAG (Soviet
Aktien Gesellschaft) Firms

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1. In connection with the general turning over of SAG (Soviet Aktien Gesellschaft) firms to German management, the Wismuth AG remains as of 1 Jan 54 under the special control of the Soviets.
2. The Ministry of Foreign Commerce is listing several other "withheld firms", including some in East Berlin. These "withheld firms" are those that remain under SAG or remain in Soviet hands through some process of concealment.
3. The central management of the SAG in Berlin-Weissensee has not been dissolved and none of its personnel has been dismissed.
4. The railroad personnel and office workers in the administration for the transport of reparations to the USSR have received a cancellation of notices of dismissal and notices already given have been withdrawn. The entire group of personnel have been engaged for another year.

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